



CLAWING BACK OUR FEDERAL TAX DOLLARS

FIGHTING FOR NEW JERSEY

TAKING ON THE MOOCHER STATES

JOSH GOTTHEIMER

New Jersey's Fifth District

↑57%
\$392

Improving Our Return on Investment



New Jersey's Fifth District has historically received only **33¢** back from every **\$1.00** in federal taxes sent to Washington

Here's where we stack up historically compared to the rest of the country...



Mississippi

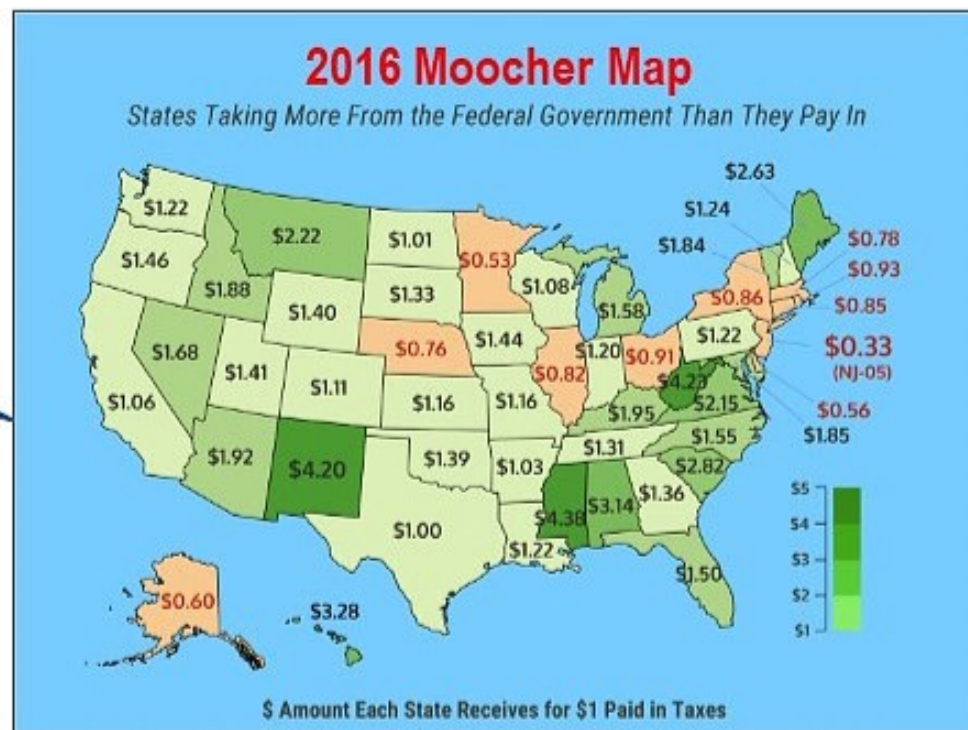


West Virginia



New Jersey

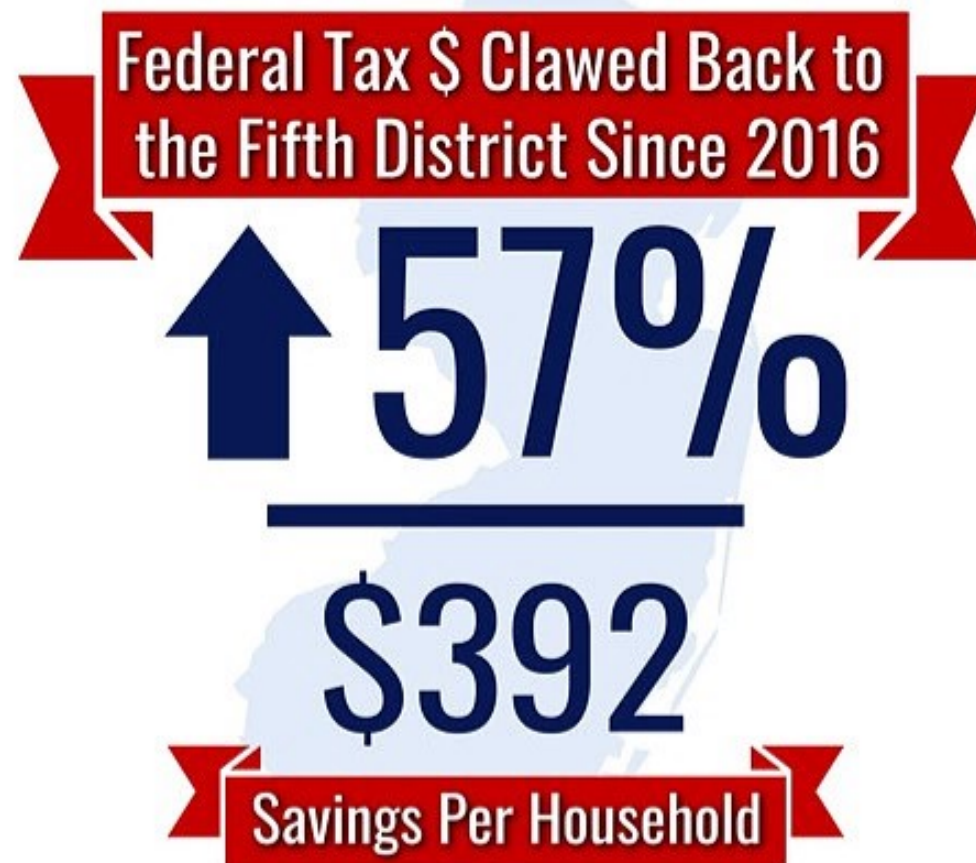
2016



[Source: National Priorities Project, State Smart, Federal Funds in 50 States]

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Federal Tax Dollars Clawed Back to NJ-5

Year-Over-Year Results

2016 → 2017

↑16%

2017 → 2018

↑35%



Clawing Back Federal Tax Dollars Top Overall NJ-5 Performers



Since 2016, the following towns have seen historic return on investment:

- Hackensack: \$1,996,330
- New Milford: \$1,256,644.46
- Oradell: \$956,505.04
- Westwood: \$909,040.18
- Bergenfield: \$440,496
- Ringwood: \$388,841.84
- West Milford: \$335,637.00
- Maywood: \$297,889.76
- Bogota: \$297,844.68
- Belvidere: \$275,378.38



Clawing Back Federal Tax Dollars Top NJ-5 Newcomers



In 2018, these towns started clawing back their tax dollars for the *first time*

- Maywood \$297,889.76
- Hillsdale \$213,715
- Washington Twp. (BC) \$138,788.05
- Upper Saddle River \$121,156.13
- Allendale \$107,723.19
- Demarest \$96,667
- Emerson \$60,621.56
- Midland Park \$41,620
- Dumont \$32,106.38

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Working with Fifth District Communities





Four Major Ways to Claw Back Our Federal Tax \$

- **Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) and GSA programs:** LESO facilitates the transfer of excess Department of Defense property that might otherwise be destroyed to law enforcement agencies across the United States and its territories. The **GSA** has a similar program that allows municipalities to obtain items such as: generators, outdoor lights, trucks, furniture, office machines and supplies, and much more at only the cost of shipping.
- **Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG):** grants that help firefighters purchase new equipment to protect our families and first responders.
- **Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS):** supports the practice of community policing by law enforcement agencies through information and grant resources
- **Non-Profit Security Grants, Head Start, and Other Programs**

LESO: Bringing Real Tax Dollars Back to NJ-05

↑ **384%**

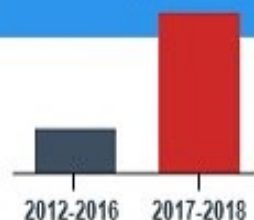
increase in LESO grants since 2016



\$3.77m+

more in LESO grant dollars
returned in 2017-2018 than
in the five years before.

That's **\$3.77 million less** in
local government budget
demands.



384%

increase in LESO grant
money **returning** to the Fifth
District.

More **police and fire**
departments awarded
grants than ever before.



27

new towns participating in
the LESO program since
2016.

Franklin Borough and
Vernon first towns in Sussex
County history to participate.



LESO Successes Since 2016

Clawed back for New Jersey taxpayers

More Federal Dollars Clawed Back (2017-2018)	
Allendale: \$107,723.19	Bergen County Sheriff: \$552,923.09
Bergenfield: \$440,496	Bogota: \$310,123.60
Closter: \$111,820.03	Hackensack: \$869,877.80
Maywood: \$297,889.76	Midland Park: \$41,620
New Milford: \$344,586.92	Paramus: \$547,230.15
Upper Saddle River: \$290,116.13	Washington Township, Warren: \$192,513
Westwood: \$595,845.46	Wyckoff: \$381,587.47

Getting Our Law Enforcement the Tools They Need

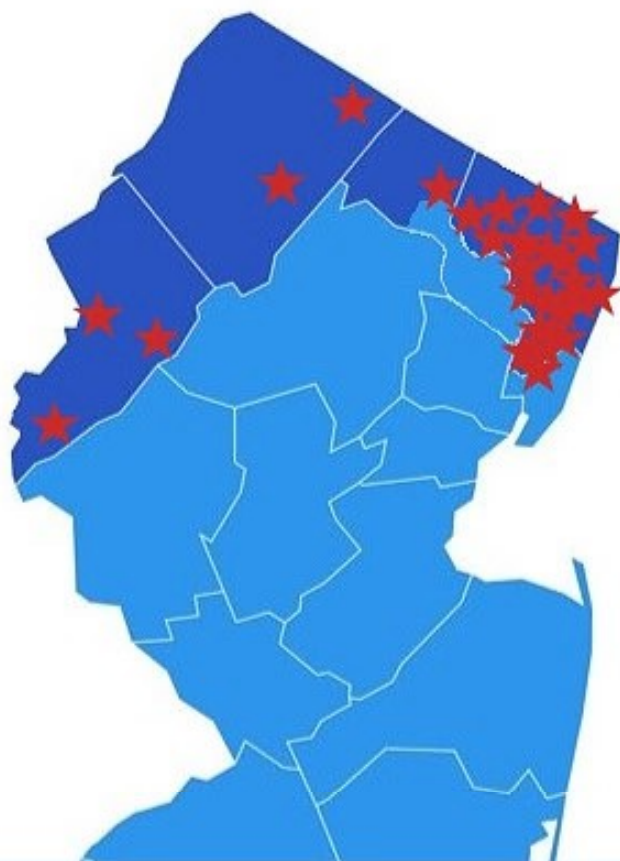
Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) Grants

	Flashlights	323
	Computers	117
	Generators	49
	First Aid Kits	470
	High-Value Trucks	27
	Other Vehicles	22
	Radios	33

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27 New Towns Participating in LESO since 2016

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Washington Twp, Bergen	Upper Saddle River	Washington Twp, Warren
Oradell	New Milford	Belvidere
Vernon	Allendale	Haworth
Oakland	Hackettstown	Fair Lawn
Emerson	Franklin Borough	Franklin Lakes
Glen Rock	Teaneck	Closter
Maywood	Dumont	Hillsdale
Bergenfield	Midland Park	Park Ridge
Westwood	Ringwood	Bogota



More Towns in LESO Than Ever Before



Vernon and Franklin Borough are the first towns to participate in Sussex County history

Wantage Township received its first *Assistance to Firefighters Grant* in more than a decade



AFG: Protecting Our Communities and Firefighters



Assistance to Firefighters Grants (AFG) help purchase new equipment to protect our families and first responders.

- New Milford: \$944,858
- Franklin Lakes: \$624,000
- West Milford: \$335,637
- Ringwood: \$358,383
- Hillsdale: \$213,715
- Belvidere: \$142,477
- Demarest: \$96,667



\$1,747,598 In assistance to Firefighters grants
1 Brand new fire truck
861% More grant funding for firefighters

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County Spotlight *Sussex County*

Franklin Borough: Increasing ROI by \$230,000 since 2018



Today, officials from Franklin Borough are picking up approximately \$230,000 worth of equipment from LESO **for the first time**.





County Spotlight

Warren County

Belvidere: \$881 saved per family



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Since 2016, Belvidere has clawed back ***\$1,028,000+*** in excess equipment for their DPW & Police Department - over **\$881** per family.

- Items include:
 - 1 Office Trailer
 - 2 Dump Trucks
 - 1 Forklift
 - 1 Truck Tractor
 - 2 Trailer Mounted Generators
 - 1 60 KW Power Plant
 - 2 ATVs

"Congressman Gottheimer has been instrumental in assisting the Town of Belvidere in obtaining grants to obtain military surplus equipment for use by the Town's police, DPW and first responders that the Town could not otherwise afford to obtain. This equipment will help make the Town of Belvidere safer, as well as the residents of neighboring communities that the Town supports with mutual aid, and these grants represent a great example of Congressman Gottheimer carrying through on his commitment to bring more of our tax dollars sent to Washington, D.C. back home."

- Belvidere Mayor Kennedy



County Spotlight

Bergen County



Oradell: Clawed back more than \$956,000 since 2017

During Oradell's first two years enrolled in the LESO Program, they brought back ***\$956,505.04*** in equipment.

Items received include:

- Mobile Command Center Trailer
- 15 Generators
- Security Surveillance System
- 50 First Aid Kits
- 43 Radios
- 2 Trucks



County Spotlight

Passaic County

West Milford: Clawed back \$160,000 since 2017



West Milford's Volunteer Fire Company No. 1, was awarded **\$160,000** through FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program to replace their personal protective equipment.

- Richard Poplaski, chief of West Milford Fire Company No. 1: "I know West Milford is committed to taking care of both our taxpayers and our first responders and we are thrilled to have this first sign of direct federal investment in our fire department in years," Poplaski said New Jersey Congressman Josh Gottheimer (D-5) encouraged the department and others in North Jersey to push for their share of federal funds.



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